

# Department of Agriculture

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## Historical Summary

OPERATING BUDGET	FY 2005 Total App	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Approp	FY 2007 Request	FY 2007 Gov Rec
<b>BY PROGRAM</b>					
Administration	1,766,400	1,704,900	1,959,400	1,961,700	1,932,500
Animal Industries	5,842,800	6,013,900	6,073,400	5,955,900	5,798,600
Agricultural Resources	3,409,700	3,162,900	3,613,400	4,013,600	3,864,900
Plant Industries	3,860,400	3,926,400	7,382,400	7,898,100	7,787,100
Agricultural Inspections	10,496,000	7,210,700	10,883,700	10,318,400	10,039,700
Marketing and Development	1,019,200	1,299,800	1,036,600	1,374,400	1,252,200
Animal Damage Control	407,300	362,200	407,300	528,900	528,900
Sheep Commission	178,000	118,300	182,800	182,800	178,400
<b>Total:</b>	<b>26,979,800</b>	<b>23,799,100</b>	<b>31,539,000</b>	<b>32,233,800</b>	<b>31,382,300</b>
<b>BY FUND CATEGORY</b>					
General	5,733,100	5,733,100	5,779,600	6,893,100	6,426,500
Dedicated	18,125,800	13,749,900	19,769,500	19,294,900	18,971,300
Federal	3,120,900	4,316,100	5,989,900	6,045,800	5,984,500
<b>Total:</b>	<b>26,979,800</b>	<b>23,799,100</b>	<b>31,539,000</b>	<b>32,233,800</b>	<b>31,382,300</b>
Percent Change:		(11.8%)	32.5%	2.2%	(0.5%)
<b>BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE</b>					
Personnel Costs	18,697,800	15,262,800	20,534,000	20,205,700	19,628,200
Operating Expenditures	5,106,200	5,189,600	6,981,200	7,669,300	7,539,800
Capital Outlay	524,000	852,500	1,265,100	1,351,200	1,206,700
Trustee/Benefit	2,651,800	2,494,200	2,758,700	3,007,600	3,007,600
<b>Total:</b>	<b>26,979,800</b>	<b>23,799,100</b>	<b>31,539,000</b>	<b>32,233,800</b>	<b>31,382,300</b>
Full-Time Positions (FTP)	185.60	185.60	202.60	209.60	206.60

## Division Description

The goal of the Department of Agriculture is to guarantee that Idaho agricultural products are of high quality, disease-free, and meet federal and state laws, rules and regulations. The department protects consumers and producers from fraud and provides marketing assistance to the industry. There are eight budgeted programs. 1) The Administration program coordinates the accounting, payroll, legal, and personnel functions. 2) Animal Industries is responsible for veterinary services, range management, dairy laboratory and dairy inspection, animal laboratory, livestock inspection, egg inspection, and animal waste management. 3) Agricultural Resources protects the public health, environment, livestock, and wildlife of the state from possible adverse effects resulting from the improper use of pesticides and fertilizers. 4) Plant Industries includes the plant, fertilizer, and seed laboratories and programs, retail potato program, hops, organic foods, noxious weeds, and the Honey Commission. 5) Agricultural Inspections includes the Bureau of Shipping Point Inspections, the Bureau of Warehouse Control, and the Bureau of Weights and Measures. 6) The Marketing and Development program assists Idaho food producers to increase their profitability by enhancing the marketing opportunities for their products. 7) The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Wildlife Services program operates in Idaho under a memorandum of understanding with the Idaho State Animal Damage Control Board. 8) The Sheep Commission provides a comprehensive program involving disease and predator control to enable the sheep industry to maintain high production standards and economic returns.

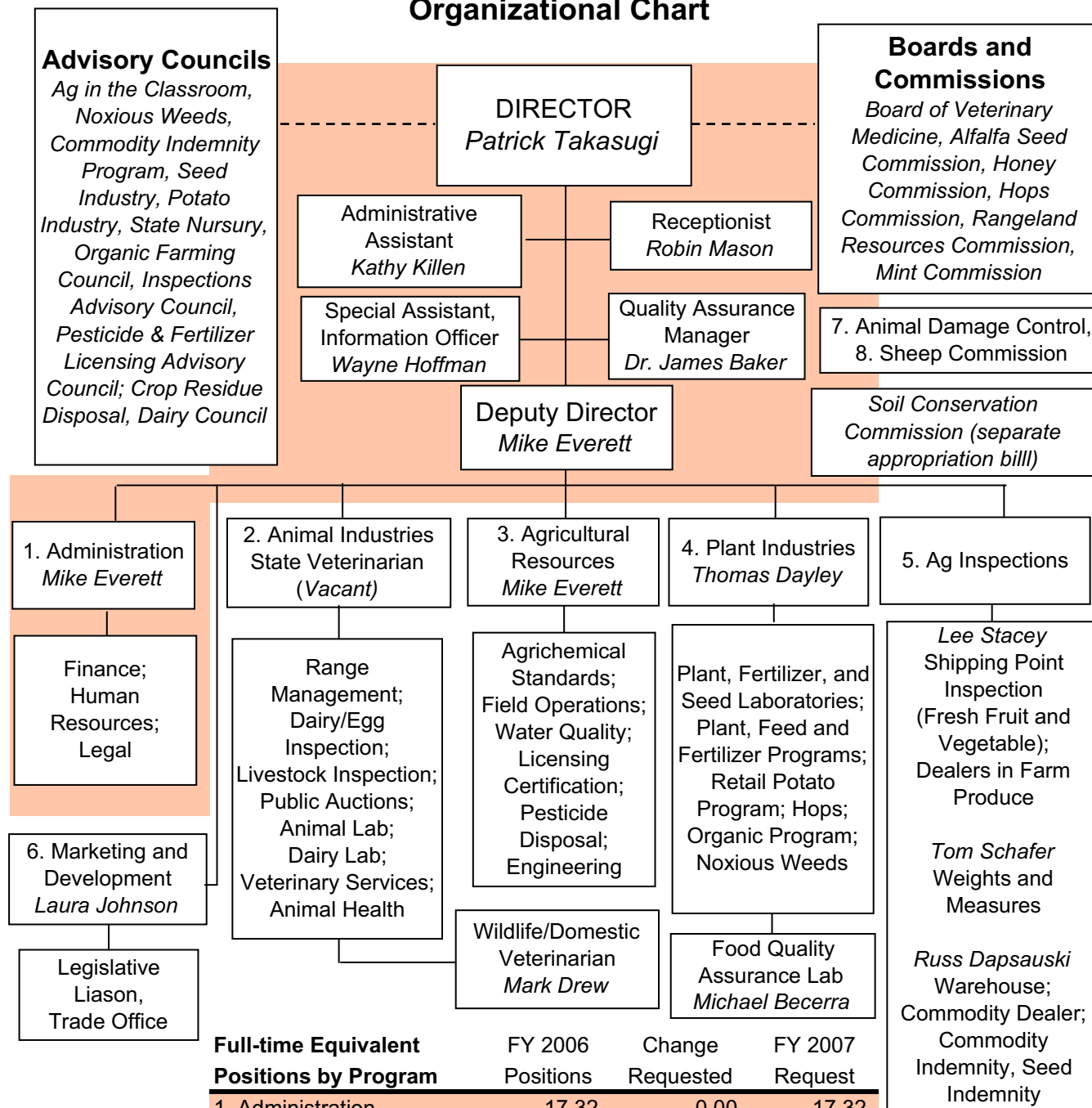
The Soil Conservation Commission is part of the department but is budgeted in a separate appropriation bill.

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### Organizational Chart



Full-time Equivalent Positions by Program	FY 2006 Positions	Change Requested	FY 2007 Request
1. Administration	17.32	0.00	17.32
2. Animal Industries	57.00	2.50	59.50
3. Agricultural Resources	31.47	1.50	32.97
4. Plant Industries	45.50	1.00	46.50
5. Agricultural Inspections	39.60	2.00	41.60
6. Marketing & Develop	9.71	0.00	9.71
7. Animal Damage Control	0.00	0.00	0.00
8. Sheep Commission	2.00	0.00	2.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>7.00</b>	<b>209.60</b>

FTP count does not include 600 to 700 seasonal employees, other group positions, or 5.65 Indemnity staff.

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Sources of Funds	FY 2005 Expenditures	Percent of Total	FY 2006 Orig. Approp.	FY 2007 Request
1. <b>General Fund (0001)</b> Individual income tax, corporate income tax, sales tax, and miscellaneous taxes, fees, and interest.	\$ 5,733,100	24.1%	\$ 5,779,600	\$ 6,893,100
2. <b>Animal Damage Control Fund (0052-00)</b> Cash transfers from the Department of Fish and Game.	100,000	0.4%	100,000	215,700
3. <b>Admin. and Accounting Services (0125-01)</b> Indirect costs from federal grants, assessments to other dedicated funds, rent receipts, and sales.	771,400	3.2%	893,400	828,400
4. <b>Facilities Maintenance (0125-02)</b> Allocations between bureaus and Health and Welfare for maintenance of Health/Ag Complex.	103,300	0.4%	164,200	163,700
5. <b>Economic Recovery Reserve (0150-01)</b> Twenty-nine cent increase in cigarette tax in 2004.	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 123,900	\$ -
6. <b>Agricultural Smoke Management (0183-00)</b> Fees for field burning in the ten northern counties.	145,300	0.6%	143,900	240,100
7. <b>Agriculture in the Classroom (0320-00)</b> Sale of agriculture license plates and retained interest.	28,000	0.1%	28,000	28,500
8. <b>Agricultural Inspection (0330-00)</b> Moneys received from inspections, taxes on bees, and livestock market operators.	1,217,800	5.1%	1,814,100	1,825,900
9. <b>Weights and Measures Inspection (0330-12)</b> Fees for licensing of weighing and measuring devices.	215,200	0.9%	322,100	485,000
10. <b>Pest Control Deficiency (0331-00)</b> Transfers from the General Fund or any other fund to suppress pest outbreaks.	47,600	0.2%	0	0
11. <b>Ag Fees - Sheep Industry Reg (0332-03)</b> Assessments on wool, cattle, horses, and mules. Includes support for Animal Damage Control.	182,300	0.8%	269,700	272,300
12. <b>Ag Fees - Commercial Feed &amp; Fert. (0332-04)</b> Feed and fertilizer registration and inspection fees.	799,400	3.4%	911,600	907,700
13. <b>Ag Fees - Pesticides (0332-05)</b> Pesticide registration and applicator licenses and exam fees.	1,720,000	7.2%	1,939,300	2,206,600
14. <b>Ag Fees - Livestock Disease Control (0332-06)</b> Brand inspections, artificial insemination licenses, sale of pigs, and domestic cervidae producers.	705,700	3.0%	900,200	881,400
15. <b>Ag Fees - Dairy Inspection (0332-07)</b> Dairy and milk inspection fees. Business licenses, haulers permits, testers and graders licenses.	1,022,400	4.3%	1,532,200	1,339,700
16. <b>Ag Fees - Honey Advertising (0332-08)</b> Fees per hive or colony of bees.	7,400	0.0%	16,400	16,700
17. <b>Ag Fees - Egg Inspection (0332-09)</b> Egg distributor licenses, egg candler licenses, and assessments per dozen eggs produced.	96,200	0.4%	143,000	170,500
18. <b>Ag Fees - Organic Food Products (0332-10)</b> Registration fees, gross organic sales fee, inspection, and mileage fees from program participants.	102,500	0.4%	122,200	123,500
19. <b>Ag Fees - Commercial Fisheries (0332-11)</b> License fee on aquaculture facilities.	100	0.0%	10,200	10,200
20. <b>Sheep and Goat Disease Indemnity (0334-00)</b> Donations, sheep commission funds, federal grants, general funds.	0	0.0%	20,300	20,300
21. <b>Seminars and Publications (0401-01)</b> Cost recovery monies from private industry and trade associations. Sale of trichomoniasis test pouches.	274,200	1.2%	331,100	337,500
22. <b>USDA Publications (0401-02)</b> National Agricultural Statistics Service grant to distribute USDA market publications.	31,500	0.1%	63,700	64,900
23. <b>Quality Assurance Lab. Services (0402-00)</b> Fees charged for laboratory analysis and industry support.	0	0.0%	300,000	379,900
24. <b>Ag Fees - Fresh Fruit &amp; Veg. Inspection (0486)</b> Fees collected from interested parties for inspection of fruits and vegetables prepared for shipment.	6,178,900	26.0%	9,586,000	8,742,500
25. <b>Agricultural Loans (0490-00)</b> Federal Rural Rehabilitation Corporation loans and grants for rural agricultural development.	700	0.0%	34,000	33,900
26. <b>Federal Grant Fund (0348-00)</b> Moneys received from various federal agencies for a range of purposes.	4,316,100	18.1%	5,989,900	6,045,800
<b>Total Appropriated Funds</b>	<b>\$ 23,799,100</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 31,539,000</b>	<b>\$ 32,233,800</b>

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### Cases Managed or Key Services Provided

	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
<b>Animal Industries</b>				
1. Conduct surveillance for all program diseases	2,145,902	2,123,921	2,059,944	1,965,517
2. Investigate and test animals suspected of disease	272	1,065	1,064	992
3. Conduct licensing, inspection and certification	361	377	340	357
4. Inspect all dairy farms and plants for compliance	3,834	3,851	4,282	3,378
5. Issue permits to dairies, dairy plants, bulk haulers, egg distributors	450	400	339	262
6. Conduct grading of dairy and egg products	59,284,658	81,475,405	66,061,605	2,663,376
7. Inspect & approve dairy waste management systems	2,131	2,664	2,286	2,460
8. Test animals, animal tissue for regulatory diseases	277,008	380,762	422,751	253,960
9. Test finished dairy products for quality and payment	4,391	4,464	4,251	5,683
<b>Agricultural Resources</b>				
1. Review/registration of pesticide products	8,786	8,763	9,444	9,538
2. Issue pesticide applicator licenses	7,515	7,478	8,385	8,241
3. Pesticide inspections and investigations	365	258	193	180
4. Ground water samples	4,066	3,522	3,515	3,530
5. Conduct statewide groundwater sampling follow-ups	1,760	1,760	1,820	2,000
6. Worker protection training sessions	12	15	27	11
7. Worker protection inspections	152	128	102	107
8. Waste pesticides disposed (pounds)	93,580	90,000	70,453	68,501
9. Containers recycled	84,266	90,000	130,120	112,759
<b>Plant Industries</b>				
1. Review/registration of feed labels and products	7,690	7,941	7,500	7,188
2. Collect commercial feed samples	786	978	1,160	724
3. Issue nurseryman/Florist licenses	1,648	1,827	1,700	1,939
4. Inspect fields for diseases (acres)	60,493	60,694	95,000	74,757
5. Issue phytosanitary certificates	7,685	6,770	9,000	5,924
6. Collect seed samples for compliance	130	133	150	95
7. Perform purity, germination testing certified seeds	16,194	15,539	18,000	11,412
8. Issue seed dealers licenses	576	592	580	581
9. Review/registration of fertilizer labels and products	3,189	2,625	3,000	3,788
<b>Agricultural Inspections</b>				
1. 100% target for licensing warehouses in Idaho	100%	100%	100%	100%
2. Inspect and test all known consumer weighing and measuring devices	98%	98%	100%	100%
3. Provide information to public concerning weights and measures issues	100%	100%	100%	100%
4. Maintain Idaho metrology lab certification	100%	100%	100%	100%
5. License all those required to be licensed	100%	100%	100%	100%
<b>Marketing and Development</b>				
1. Lead domestic & international trade missions	3	2	2	2
2. Participate in targeted domestic & internal trade shows	5	5	5	6
3. Develop promotional events and materials	9	11	15	18
4. Recruit Idaho companies into Preferred Program	n/a	n/a	80	125

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## Comparative Summary

Decision Unit	Agency Request			Governor's Rec		
	FTP	General	Total	FTP	General	Total
<b>FY 2006 Original Appropriation</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>5,779,600</b>	<b>31,539,000</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>5,779,600</b>	<b>31,539,000</b>
HB 395 One-time 1% Salary Increase	0.00	32,500	90,500	0.00	32,500	90,500
Omnibus CEC Supplemental	0.00	0	0	0.00	39,300	156,300
Pest Deficiency Warrants	0.00	47,800	47,800	0.00	47,800	47,800
Other Approp Adjustments	0.00	(47,800)	(47,800)	0.00	(47,800)	(47,800)
<b>FY 2006 Total Appropriation</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>5,812,100</b>	<b>31,629,500</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>5,851,400</b>	<b>31,785,800</b>
Non-Cognizable Funds and Transfers	1.00	0	0	1.00	0	0
<b>FY 2006 Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>203.60</b>	<b>5,812,100</b>	<b>31,629,500</b>	<b>203.60</b>	<b>5,851,400</b>	<b>31,785,800</b>
Removal of One-Time Expenditures	(1.00)	(32,500)	(2,045,600)	(1.00)	(32,500)	(2,045,600)
Base Adjustments	0.00	0	(850,000)	0.00	0	(850,000)
<b>FY 2007 Base</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>5,779,600</b>	<b>28,733,900</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>5,818,900</b>	<b>28,890,200</b>
Benefit Costs	0.00	54,700	251,000	0.00	(75,200)	(341,400)
Inflationary Adjustments	0.00	40,200	177,900	0.00	40,200	177,900
Replacement Items	0.00	245,000	1,182,900	0.00	0	1,091,400
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	65,200	96,700	0.00	65,200	96,700
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	33,900	135,200	0.00	62,400	249,300
<b>FY 2007 Program Maintenance</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>6,218,600</b>	<b>30,577,600</b>	<b>202.60</b>	<b>5,911,500</b>	<b>30,164,100</b>
1. Marketing Program	0.00	320,500	320,500	0.00	211,000	211,000
2. CAFO Inspectors	2.00	171,000	171,000	2.00	121,000	121,000
3. Invasive Species Coordinator	1.00	70,000	140,000	1.00	70,000	140,000
4. Noxious Weed Program	0.00	100,000	190,300	0.00	100,000	189,300
5. Range Operations	0.00	13,000	13,000	0.00	13,000	13,000
6. Container Recycling Program	1.00	0	171,100	1.00	0	169,100
7. Crop Residue Disposal	0.00	0	72,100	0.00	0	72,100
8. Air Quality Inspections	1.00	0	127,000	0.00	0	0
9. Scan Device Testing	2.00	0	148,500	0.00	0	0
10. Retail Egg Program	0.00	0	40,000	0.00	0	40,000
11. Weights & Measures Lab Maintenance	0.00	0	22,000	0.00	0	22,000
12. Nursery Research	0.00	0	50,000	0.00	0	50,000
13. Food Quality Assurance Laboratory	0.00	0	75,000	0.00	0	75,000
14. Animal Damage Control Fund	0.00	0	115,700	0.00	0	115,700
<b>FY 2007 Total</b>	<b>209.60</b>	<b>6,893,100</b>	<b>32,233,800</b>	<b>206.60</b>	<b>6,426,500</b>	<b>31,382,300</b>
Change from Original Appropriation	7.00	1,113,500	694,800	4.00	646,900	(156,700)
% Change from Original Appropriation		19.3%	2.2%		11.2%	(0.5%)

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
<b>FY 2006 Original Appropriation</b>	202.60	5,779,600	19,769,500	5,989,900	31,539,000

## HB 395 One-time 1% Salary Increase

Reflects a one-time 1% Change in Employee Compensation (CEC) increase.

Agency Request	0.00	32,500	54,400	3,600	90,500
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	32,500	54,400	3,600	90,500

## Omnibus CEC Supplemental

Agency Request	0.00	0	0	0	0
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The Governor's FY 2007 recommendation is a 3% ongoing increase in employee compensation (CEC), based on merit, to commence in FY 2006 with the January 29 pay period. This will allow agencies to fund employee compensation increases for ten pay periods prior to the end of the current fiscal year. Funding for the remaining 16 pay periods is provided in the FY 2007 CEC.

Governor's Recommendation	0.00	39,300	106,600	10,400	156,300
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## Pest Deficiency Warrants

## Plant Industries

Idaho Code, §22-2108 authorizes the State Board of Examiners to approve deficiency warrants against the General Fund for up to \$500,000 to control agricultural pest and crop disease outbreaks within the state. ISDA participates in cost-share grasshopper and cricket treatment programs. Normally, the deficiency warrant program is used for the state's share; however, in FY 2004, the department received a \$6.2 million multi-year federal grant for grasshopper and Mormon cricket suppression. In FY 2005, the cost share for equipment, spraying and bait of about \$668,000 was paid from that federal grant. Treatments were primarily in Southwest Idaho and the Grangeville area. In addition to the pest control programs, the department uses deficiency warrants as a funding mechanism for the pest survey programs. The survey programs for Japanese Beetle, Leek Moth, European Pine Shoot Moth, Apple Maggot, and Cherry Fruit Fly protect the marketability of Idaho products. Fiscal year 2005 costs were \$30,700 for the exotic pest survey program and \$17,000 for gypsy moth survey. The request includes \$39,800 for personnel costs (temporary staff) and \$8,000 for operating expenditures (travel and bait). [One-time]

Agency Request	0.00	47,800	0	0	47,800
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	47,800	0	0	47,800

## Other Approp Adjustments

Transfer General Fund monies to the pest deficiency warrant fund where actual costs were incurred.

Agency Request	0.00	(47,800)	0	0	(47,800)
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	(47,800)	0	0	(47,800)

## FY 2006 Total Appropriation

Agency Request	202.60	5,812,100	19,823,900	5,993,500	31,629,500
Governor's Recommendation	202.60	5,851,400	19,930,500	6,003,900	31,785,800

## Non-Cognizable Funds and Transfers

On July 12, 2005, the Division of Financial Management Administrator notified the JFAC Co-chairs that the Governor had approved an increase in the FTP cap of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture by 1.0 FTP and decreased the FTP cap of the Department of Environmental Quality by 1.0 FTP. The increase was made to accommodate the transfer of an existing employee from DEQ to ISDA to continue work on invasive species. The letter stated that the dedicated funding source for the position is the Agricultural Inspection Fund where sufficient spending authority exists.

ANALYST COMMENT: In a letter dated October 28, 2005, the Director of the Department of Agriculture clarified the source of the revenue to be \$70,000 in one-time General Fund savings in the Soil Conservation Commission's budget that would have reverted at the end of FY 2005. That money was then transferred to the Agricultural Inspection Fund for FY 2006 where sufficient spending authority exists.

Agency Request	1.00	0	0	0	0
Governor's Recommendation	1.00	0	0	0	0



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<b>FY 2006 Estimated Expenditures</b>					
Agency Request	203.60	5,812,100	19,823,900	5,993,500	31,629,500
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	203.60	5,851,400	19,930,500	6,003,900	31,785,800

## Removal of One-Time Expenditures

Removes the one FTP approved by the Governor during the interim for invasive species work. That position and funding is requested as an ongoing line item in FY 2007. Removes \$90,500 provided for in HB395 (1% CEC). Removes \$657,800 for the 27th pay period. Removes 943,600 provided for replacement items and \$353,700 for other one-time items.

Agency Request	(1.00)	(32,500)	(1,796,100)	(217,000)	(2,045,600)
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	(1.00)	(32,500)	(1,796,100)	(217,000)	(2,045,600)

## Base Adjustments

## Plant Industries, Agricultural Inspections

The Department has had a significant reduction in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Inspection Program over the last five years and requests a reduction of \$750,000 in spending authority from the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Inspection Fund. The program is funded from fees paid by industry. Furthermore, the Department requests a reduction of \$100,000 in personnel costs from the pathology inspection account in Plant Industries to bring the budget more in line with actual needs.

Agency Request	0.00	0	(850,000)	0	(850,000)
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	0.00	0	(850,000)	0	(850,000)

## FY 2007 Base

Agency Request	202.60	5,779,600	17,177,800	5,776,500	28,733,900
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	202.60	5,818,900	17,284,400	5,786,900	28,890,200

## Benefit Costs

Includes the employer-paid portion of estimated changes in employee benefit costs. The two biggest factors are health insurance rates and retirement rates. Health insurance is projected to increase by 6.1% or \$436 per position. Retirement rates are scheduled to increase by 5.9% from 10.39% to 11% of salary for regular employees and by 5.7% from 10.73% to 11.34% of salary for police and firefighters. Other benefit changes include minor adjustments in unemployment insurance rates and workers compensation rates.

Agency Request	0.00	54,700	164,800	31,500	251,000
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*Removes the PERSI rate increase and changes benefit costs to reflect a 3.5% or \$250 per FTP increase in health insurance costs. However, the change in health insurance providers, from Blue Shield to Blue Cross, has created a one-time opportunity to use unexpended reserves from the previous contract. This decision unit provides for a health insurance premium reduction equal to two month's premiums for both the employer and employee. Finally, a life insurance holiday is included equal to seven month's premium for the employer's share only.*

<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	0.00	(75,200)	(221,400)	(44,800)	(341,400)
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## Inflationary Adjustments

Includes a general inflationary increase of 1.9% in operating expenditures and trustee/benefit payments.

Agency Request	0.00	40,200	64,700	73,000	177,900
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>	0.00	40,200	64,700	73,000	177,900

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<b>Replacement Items</b>					
Replacement items include \$120,000 for a weights and measures truck, \$556,000 for 25 vehicles, 166,500 for computer equipment, \$32,200 for replacement software, \$290,400 for laboratory and field equipment, and \$17,800 for office equipment and furniture.					
Agency Request	0.00	245,000	907,400	30,500	1,182,900
<i>The Governor recommends \$110,000 for a weights and measures truck, \$456,000 for 25 vehicles, 105,500 for computer equipment, \$32,200 for replacement software, \$272,900 for laboratory and field equipment, and \$14,800 for office equipment and furniture. Of the total, \$195,500 or 18% is from the Economic Recovery Reserve Fund.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	1,062,900	28,500	1,091,400
<b>Statewide Cost Allocation</b>					
The Statewide Cost Allocation Plan assesses state agencies for their actual use of Attorney General, State Controller and State Treasurer services and includes changes in property and casualty insurance premiums. This decision unit also includes changes in fees charged for legislative audits and changes in the cost of office space leased to state agencies by the Department of Administration. Changes reflect \$800 for Treasurer fees, \$34,100 for State Controller fees, \$16,500 for Attorney General fees, and \$45,200 for risk management fees.					
Agency Request	0.00	65,200	31,500	0	96,700
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	65,200	31,500	0	96,700
<b>Change in Employee Compensation</b>					
Calculated cost of a 1% salary increase for permanent and group positions.					
Agency Request	0.00	33,900	92,300	9,000	135,200
<i>Provides funding for the remaining 16 pay periods to annualize the 3% ongoing change in employee compensation recommended in the omnibus CEC supplemental.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	62,400	170,300	16,600	249,300
<b>FY 2007 Program Maintenance</b>					
Agency Request	202.60	6,218,600	18,438,500	5,920,500	30,577,600
Governor's Recommendation	202.60	5,911,500	18,392,400	5,860,200	30,164,100



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<b>1. Marketing Program</b>					<b>Marketing and Development</b>
<p>The department is requesting \$209,500 for the Idaho Preferred promotion program, \$81,000 for increased operating and personnel for international marketing, and \$30,000 for the Idaho-Mexico Trade Office. 1) The Idaho Preferred program was initially funded by a federal grant that ends July 30, 2006. The program has been very successful at promoting Idaho agricultural products to Idaho consumers. The request includes \$45,000 for salary and \$10,000 benefits for a trade specialist (pay grade K) dedicated to the program. This will replace the position currently covered by the grant so no FTP is required. The request also includes \$100,000 for advertising and \$54,500 for promotional costs. 2) International marketing is becoming more important to the state's economy. However, salaries are significantly below market and the department has experienced high turnover rates for Agriculture Trade Specialists. Funding of \$42,000 in salaries and \$10,000 in benefits is requested to enhance salaries of the four employees in the marketing division. Operating expenditures of \$29,000 will be used for international promotions in Asia and other key markets through trade missions, trade shows, hosting buying delegations, menu promotions, special events and publications. 3) Funding for the Mexico trade office in the amount of \$30,000 is necessary to meet the increased demand for services there. Mexico is Idaho's third largest export market for agriculture and grew 65% in 2004. Funding will also allow the trade office to expand services to Central America where there is a growing market for dairy products, frozen potatoes, and other processed foods. [Ongoing]</p>					
Agency Request	0.00	320,500	0	0	320,500
<p><i>Includes funding as follows: 1) \$52,000 for personnel costs and \$100,000 in operating expenditures to replace expiring federal funding for the Idaho Preferred Program, 2) \$29,000 in operating expenditures for international trade promotions and 3) \$30,000 specifically for the Mexico Trade Office.</i></p>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	211,000	0	0	211,000
<b>2. CAFO Inspectors</b>					<b>Animal Industries</b>
<p>The department requests two Confined Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) inspectors to address workloads. The current staff of six full-time and one part-time inspector have not been able to meet the targeted number of inspections agreed to by Memorandum of Understanding with the Environmental Protection Agency. These inspections must be done to better assure that beef operations are in compliance with the Beef and Cattle Environmental Control Act, chapter 22-49, Idaho Code. These two positions will increase the number of inspections in the eastern and western parts of the state by about 400 per year. Funding includes \$97,000 for salaries and benefits (pay grade J), \$24,000 for operating expenditures, \$44,000 for two 1/2 ton pickups and \$6,000 for two laptop computers. [\$50,000 one-time]</p>					
Agency Request	2.00	171,000	0	0	171,000
<p><i>Capital outlay is not recommended.</i></p>					
Governor's Recommendation	2.00	121,000	0	0	121,000
<b>3. Invasive Species Coordinator</b>					<b>Plant Industries</b>
<p>This request will initiate the organization outlined in Governor Kempthorne's Invasive Species Council 2003 report and January 2005 "Idaho's Action Plan for Invasive Species". Invasive species is defined as a species that is 1) non-native (or alien) to the ecosystem under consideration and 2) whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health. The request would improve the coordination of activities within the state to ensure that a comprehensive program is not diluted by competing efforts among the agencies. It provides one full-time equivalent position, \$43,600 for salary (pay grade M), \$17,600 for benefits, \$38,800 for group positions to do filing and research, and \$40,000 in operating expenditures. The position will work with the noxious weed, pest survey and pathology personnel to address invasive species issues. Funding is 50% from the General Fund, 25% from the Agricultural Inspection Fund (pathology fees), and 25% from federal grants. [Ongoing]</p>					
Agency Request	1.00	70,000	35,000	35,000	140,000
Governor's Recommendation	1.00	70,000	35,000	35,000	140,000

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<b>4. Noxious Weed Program</b>					<b>Plant Industries</b>
Funding is requested to address growing infestations of noxious weeds across the state. Funding includes \$8,000 for salaries, \$4,300 for benefits, \$45,900 for group positions, \$12,500 for travel, \$2,000 for contracts, \$2,000 for supplies, \$25,000 for a 1/2 ton pickup, \$4,900 for an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV), \$3,000 for a laptop computer, and \$82,700 for trustee and benefit payments. Trustee and benefit payments (all General Fund) will be passed through to Cooperative Weed Management Areas for on-the-ground weed control. Funding is 53% General Fund and 47% from federal grants. Of the request \$21,400 General Fund support is to meet matching requested by the Bureau of Land Management. [\$32,900 one-time federal fund]					
Agency Request	0.00	100,000	0	90,300	190,300
<i>Removes \$1,000 in one-time capital outlay.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	100,000	0	89,300	189,300
<b>5. Range Operations</b>					<b>Animal Industries</b>
The range program provides technical assistance to livestock land managers. Issues include resource planning and endangered species awareness. The program has insufficient operating costs for normal operations. Because of the shortfall, they either receive support from other animal programs or are forced to reduce travel costs to remain within the budget. Funding will be used for gasoline, travel costs, office supplies, and training. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	13,000	0	0	13,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	13,000	0	0	13,000
<b>6. Container Recycling Program</b>					<b>Agricultural Resources</b>
The pesticide container recycling program has grown from 9,000 containers in 1994 to 130,000 containers in 2005. The department currently uses a part-time employee for this program. The EPA is currently studying the possibility of making recycling a requirement, which would cause the number of containers to reach about 300,000 per year. In the mean time, the program continues to grow and now needs, in addition to the part-time employee, a full-time employee. The request includes \$33,300 for salary (Pay grade J), \$15,200 for benefits, \$5,000 for operating expenditures, \$50,000 for a truck, \$8,500 for a trailer, \$25,000 for a chipper, \$25,000 for a generator, \$5,500 for computers, \$2,200 for office equipment, and \$1,400 for field equipment. Funding is from a proposed rule change to increase registration fees by \$15 per pesticide product (from \$145 to \$160) and revenues generated from the sale of collected plastics. [\$117,600 one-time and \$53,500 ongoing]					
Agency Request	1.00	0	171,100	0	171,100
<i>Removes \$2,000 in one-time capital outlay.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	1.00	0	169,100	0	169,100
<b>7. Crop Residue Disposal</b>					<b>Agricultural Resources</b>
The Crop Residue Disposal program continues to grow and the department does not have sufficient spending authority for the revenues generated by fees. Revenues generated by a \$2 per acre assessment for crop residue registered to be burned in the ten northern counties were \$186,700 last year and are estimated at \$185,000 in the upcoming years. Current spending authority is \$140,600. This request would add \$22,100 in personnel costs and \$50,000 in operating expenditures for travel, communications, and outreach. Spending authority is from the Agricultural Smoke Management Fund which had a fund balance of \$87,900 at the end of FY 2005. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	0	72,100	0	72,100
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	72,100	0	72,100

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<b>8. Air Quality Inspections</b>	<b>Animal Industries, Agricultural Resources</b>				
The dairy bureau is requesting funding to conduct dairy farm air quality inspections. This request is the result of negotiated rule making between DEQ, the Idaho Dairyman's Association, the Idaho Conservation League and the department to regulate ammonia emissions on large dairy farms. The request would provide for one position to do a minimum of one annual inspection on about 40 large dairy farms plus follow-up on facilities with non-compliance violatons. The request includes \$51,000 from the Dairy Inspection Fund in Animal Industries, plus \$25,000 from the Smoke Management Fund and \$51,000 from the Pesticide Licensing Fund in the Agricultural Resources Program. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	1.00	0	127,000	0	127,000
<i>Not Recommended.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
<b>9. Scan Device Testing</b>	<b>Agricultural Inspections</b>				
The weights and measures program focuses on inspecting scales and gasoline pumps but provides scanning device verification only on a complaint basis. This fee based request would expand services to the public by testing scanning devices for accuracy and price verification. The objective is to promote equity at the checkout line by reducing overcharges and undercharges to consumers and retailers. Requested spending authority is for two investigator trainees (pay grade H) at \$32,900 salary each and \$16,400 benefits each plus \$50,000 for travel and other operating expenditures. Revenue assumptions are 1,500 retail businesses times \$100 each to generate \$150,000 annually. [Requires legislation, ongoing]					
Agency Request	2.00	0	148,500	0	148,500
<i>The Idaho State Department of Agriculture has pulled the legislation that would have established a Scan Devise Testing program.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
<b>10. Retail Egg Program</b>	<b>Animal Industries</b>				
This decision unit is to provide additional inspections to the ongoing retail egg inspection program. The inspector is inspecting for compliance with shell egg grade standards, cleanliness, and refrigeration. The program is designed so that all eggs, regardless of their source, meet Idaho requirements. Currently the program has one compliance officer. Approximately 80% of this individual's time is used to conduct shell egg grading under the USDA AMS Volunteer Egg Grading Program at one Idaho egg production facility. Additional spending authority would provide resources to conduct approximately 3,000 retail inspections across the state. No rule or code changes are required. The source of funding is from monies deposited to the Egg Inspection Fund from levies assessed on Idaho producers. Spending authority includes \$35,000 in personnel costs for group positions and \$5,000 for operating expenditures. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	0	40,000	0	40,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	40,000	0	40,000
<b>11. Weights &amp; Measures Lab Maintenance</b>	<b>Agricultural Inspections</b>				
Idaho Law requires the weights and measures standards be certified by the national bureau of standards. The National Institute of Standards and Technology recommends recalibration of primary mass standards every 10 years. The state laboratory has fallen behind re-certification. To even out workloads, some weights should be sent out each year. Also, balances may need work as they wear. Operating expenditure spending authority is requested to allow the weights and measures program to catch-up and re-certify on an ongoing basis. Funding is from dedicated fees charged for device licensing and calibration fees charged to the lab customers. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	0	22,000	0	22,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	22,000	0	22,000

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<b>12. Nursery Research</b>					<b>Plant Industries</b>
Additional spending authority is requested to spend nursery inspection funds for a Nursery Research and Education Program administered by the Nursery Advisory Committee. According to statute (§22-2323), \$25 from each \$75 license fee collected shall be credited to a special nursery research account. The state nursery and florist advisory committee shall approve the distribution of research funds to further research into nursery and floral production and pest control. Approximately 2,000 licenses are issued each year amounting to about \$150,000 each year into the entire account of which at least one-third or about \$50,000 is earmarked for research. Grants for research and educational programs will benefit the Idaho nursery and florist industry. [Ongoing trustee and benefit payments]					
Agency Request	0.00	0	50,000	0	50,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	50,000	0	50,000
<b>13. Food Quality Assurance Laboratory</b>					<b>Plant Industries</b>
The Idaho Food Quality Assurance Laboratory in Twin Falls provides formal third-party food quality assurance services to Idaho producers, governmental agencies, commodity groups, processors, and consumers. Last session, JFAC transferred the Idaho Food Quality Assurance Laboratory funding from the University of Idaho's budget to the Idaho State Department of Agriculture's budget including 5 full-time equivalent positions and \$300,000 from the Laboratory Services Fund. JFAC also reinstated \$80,000 of a requested \$100,000 in General Fund support. The budget was constructed very tightly and spending authority for receipts is requested to meet personnel commitments. The request is for \$75,000 in personnel costs from the Laboratory Services Fund. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	0	75,000	0	75,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	75,000	0	75,000
<b>14. Animal Damage Control Fund</b>					<b>Animal Damage Control</b>
SB 1171 of 2005 changed the distribution of some of the excess Big Game Depredation Funds from the Habitat Improvement and Land Acquisition Set-aside Fund to the Animal Damage Control Fund. The distribution amount depends on depredation costs and interest rates and is scheduled for June 30, 2006. Additional spending authority is requested in trustee and benefit payments to pass those monies through to the Animal Damage Control Board. The nine member Animal Damage Control Board is made up of the chairman of the board of Sheep Commissioners, the director of the Department of Agriculture, the director of the Department of Fish and Game, a member of the Idaho cattle association, and the directors of each of the five animal damage control districts (§25-2612A). It is the duty of the animal damage control board to coordinate and give direction to programs to prevent and control damage or conflicts on federal, state, or other public or private lands caused by predatory animals, rodents, or birds injurious to animal husbandry, agriculture, horticulture, forestry, wildlife, and human health or safety. [Ongoing]					
Agency Request	0.00	0	115,700	0	115,700
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	115,700	0	115,700
<b>FY 2007 Total</b>					
Agency Request	209.60	6,893,100	19,294,900	6,045,800	32,233,800
Governor's Recommendation	206.60	6,426,500	18,971,300	5,984,500	31,382,300
Agency Request					
Change from Original App	7.00	1,113,500	(474,600)	55,900	694,800
% Change from Original App	3.5%	19.3%	(2.4%)	0.9%	2.2%
Governor's Recommendation					
Change from Original App	4.00	646,900	(798,200)	(5,400)	(156,700)
% Change from Original App	2.0%	11.2%	(4.0%)	(0.1%)	(0.5%)